

Our Opening Display

OF THE

SPRING GOODS

WILL BEGIN

NEXT WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30th,

And continue through the week. You are cordially invited to be present and inspect our offerings.

SOME OF THE GOOD THINGS WE WILL SHOW:

Unbleach'd Domestic
Yard Wide,
31c.

Full Standard
Prints,
31c.

Best Quality
Cambrie Lining,
4c.

Bleached Domestic,
7 1/2c Quality,
6c.

All Linen
Towels, 35x17,
10c.

All Linen Bleached
Crash, 19 in. wide
10c.

Millinery.

Miss Annie Ehinger, after a long sojourn in the markets, taking items on the Spring styles, is now ready with a full corps of assistants to trim your new spring hats in the very latest and up to date style, and at reasonable prices: She is showing a beautiful line of Pattern Hats, modeled after the latest Parisian styles, from \$5.00 to \$15.00.

Dress Goods.

Washroom some very handsome patterns in Novelty Dress Goods, in wool, at 50 and 60c, no two patterns alike. Figured Silk Mousseline de Soie, The finest and prettiest Wash Fabric, displayed this spring. This is our imported goods, and shown exclusively by us, 45c.

Imported French Organdies,

exclusive Novelties, shown only by us, 30c. Imported Organdies, 25c. Silk Wefts, beautiful patterns 50c. Corded Zephyr Gingham, 30c.

Wash Goods.

The largest line and greatest variety of these goods ever shown by us. We show every desirable fabric, in all the new patterns and colorings. Prices start at 35c.

Hindoo Cloth.

A beautiful Black Fabric, soft, and sheer, 35c.

Belts.

The newest things. Metal Belts, with settings of Turquoise, Emerald and Garnet.

Handkerchiefs.

The greatest Handkerchief showing ever made in the city. Pure linen ones at the price of cotton. All Pure Linen, hemstitched, 7c. Fine quality, very sheer, all pure linen, hemstitched and embroidered, worth anywhere 25c, only 15c. Very fine quality of hemmed, embroidered and hemstitched, 5c to 35c. Handkerchief Linen, 36 inch, very fine and sheer, 85c. Foulting, plain and dotted, 5c to 10c.

Quilts.

50c to \$3.00.

Sashes and

Sash Ribbons.

In great variety, 60c to \$1.25.

Ready-made

Sheets, Pillow-Cases.

Hemmed and hemstitched, torn and hemmed, bleached, 81x90, 51c. Bleached Pillow-Cases, 15c.

Draperies,

Lace Curtains.

We show a handsome line of these Silks, 36 inch, 12 1/2c. Embroid Art Drapery, 36 inch, 20c. Fancy Novelty, 12 1/2c. Lace Curtains 50c to \$5.00 per pair.

Skirts.

Ready Made. Linen, Mohair and Brilliantines, plain and figured \$1.25 to 7.50.

Silk Capes.

3.50 to 5.50

Hosiery.

The new things in fancy hosiery for Ladies, Misses and Children. The best 25c black hose in the city.

Peraline Linings.

Moire effect, for Organdie Linings, all the light shades, 36 inch, for 10c

Ladies Vests, 5c.

Shoes and Slippers.

Selling Shoes in connection with our other lines, gives us a decided advantage over exclusive Shoe Stores, for the saving in expense is a satisfactory profit. Compare our \$2.00 line of Shoes and Slippers with 2.50 Shoes elsewhere, \$2.00 buys with us, a very fine Kid Shoe or Slipper, soft and easy and perfect in fit. In black and brown, the new shades. Some all Kid, some with Cloth Tops. Be sure and see them.

Ladies Collars.

Half-a-dozen Styles, 10c and 15c

White Goods, 4c up.

Eureka Warp.

On spools, all colors, 20c.

Clothing.

In the Mens and Boys Department, we are showing an immense stock of Goods, and prices were never lower than now. Child's Suits, 75c to \$5.00 Boys Suits, 3.00 to 10.00 Mens Suits, 3.50 and up. Pants and Suits made to Order in quick time. We ask your inspection, feeling confident you will find no such a stock in this section from which to make your selections, and our prices are the very lowest.

Carpets, Matting.

Oil Cloth and Linoleum. No home in the city carries such a stock of these goods as do we. Carpets, 25c and up. Matting, 15c and up, Linoleum, 6 feet wide, 45c.

L. P. & W. S. ELLISON.

THE HICKMAN COURIER.

HICKMAN, KY.,
FRIDAY, : : : MARCH 25, 1898.

THE RACE FOR CONGRESS.

It is generally understood that Congressman Wheeler and Hon. Olin James will be the opposing Democratic candidates for Congress in this District. Ex-Congressman Hendrick and Judge Park are also spoken of.

Hon. Henry Houston, (free soil) Hon. Jerry Foster, of Clinton and Col. Max Hanbury, of Trigg county, are the probable republican candidates.

Hon. Ben Keys, it is conceded, will be the Populist nominee.

Was there Fraud?

Congressman Colson (Republican), and Congressman Wheeler indulged in a spat on the floor of Congress, last week. Colson precipitated the discussion by charging that the Democrats of the First Kentucky District carried off the ballot box in the last Presidential election, and that this was especially true as to Graves county. In reply, Wheeler said: "In 1894," said Mr. Wheeler, "Mr. Colson received 13,513 votes. At the same time Mr. Hendrick, my predecessor, was elected, receiving 13,512 votes. In 1896 Mr. Colson received 22,494 votes, and I received 14,868 votes, and I received 14,868 votes. In the election district an increase of 7,776 votes, and in the first district, an increase of 8,865 votes. It occurs to me that nothing short of unblushing effrontery would nerve this man to call attention to the condition of affairs in his district in comparison with my own when confronted by figures that cannot be. But that is not all. In 1896 there was 29,106 Republican votes polled in the Eleventh district, and in 1897 there were 21,851 votes polled, a difference of 8,365. In 1892 the Democratic vote of Kentucky was 176,460 and the Republican vote 133,441. In 1896 the total Democratic vote, with the Populist vote added, was 216,840, and the total Republican vote 218,171, an increase in the Democratic vote of 42,000 and an increase in the Republican vote of 82,000; and yet the gentleman comes on the floor and complains of Democratic fraud in Kentucky state elections."

MURDER OF WAR.

The general confusion in the movement of the Powers has entirely demoralized the European and American newspapers. They appear to be unable to maintain their equilibrium for more than twelve hours in the twenty-four, and one day's reports produce changes and contradictions as rapid and complex as the colors of a kaleidoscope.

School Census for 1898.

Within a few days I will receive from the State office the necessary blanks upon which the census of the school children of the county must be taken. These I will place in your hands as soon as possible in order that no delay need arise in making the enumeration.

As much time and care is required in taking the census, and as a certain responsibility is attached to the duty of Trustees, I respectfully call your attention to the following requirements of the State Superintendent:

1st.—The enumeration must be made by the Chairman, acting under his official oath or by a census-taker who is specially appointed to do the work and who, previous to beginning, has taken an oath that he will well and truly discharge his duties under the law.

2d.—It is necessary for the Chairman or census-taker to visit the parent or guardian of each child in the district and obtain from them the name, age, and date of birth of each child. This must be entered upon the proper record, and its correctness certified to by the said parent or guardian who must sign his or her name opposite the enumeration.

3d.—After the census list is completed, the Chairman or census-taker must forward on the back of the report and the total shown by the summary must tally with the total shown by the census list.

4th.—After the report is completed the Chairman or census-taker must forward an officer qualified to administer an oath and make affidavit that the same was taken in accordance with the law and the instructions of the State Superintendent.

Very Respectfully,
D. E. WILSON,
County Supt. Schools.

Killed Philps for Fun.

Editor Chas. Mescham, of the Hopkinsville Kentuckian, published a clipping from the Fulton Democrat concerning the young lady who kissed a gentleman to sell her work. As a result, the following warm epistle has been received by him:

Dear Sir:—I find the enclosed clipping from your paper in the Louisville Kentuckian. It is an excellent little paper, and I am sure it will be a great success. I am not using any power; however, I wish you would clear up the mistake the Kentuckian made or cut writing those intended provocations of ancient days, else I am to think the posterity of those intended provocations of ancient days are gloriously at large in your city (or on your farm).
Respectfully,
BEATRICE CUNNINGHAM,
Cádiz, Ky., March 15, 1898.

Are You Looking for a New Location?

Hickman Offers Unusual Advantages to Investors and Enterprising Business Men.

HICKMAN, KENTUCKY, county seat of Fulton County, is a clean, healthy town of 2,500 inhabitants, situated on the Mississippi River, the terminus of the Nashville and St. Louis Railroad. It offers shipping facilities that cannot be surpassed. It is in the heart of a hardwood timber country, and in easy reach of millions of feet of cottonwood, Sycamore and Red Gum. Manufacturing enterprises are exempt from taxation for a long term of years, and no place offers a more equable climate, more comfortable home and surroundings at a cheaper cost of living than our town.

The market-garden furnishes a bountiful supply of all kinds of fruits and vegetables at most reasonable prices.

The hill section of our county grows premium grade Apples, Peaches, Strawberries, etc., bountifully. Low rates make Hickman a good point for shipping to Northern markets.

Improved farm lands can be secured at from \$5.00 to \$20.00 per acre, and these lands will produce 50 to 75 bushels of corn, 25 to 40 bushels of wheat, and from 2 to 4 tons of hay to the acre.

The wonderfully rich alluvial soil of the Mississippi "bottoms" is especially adapted to raising cotton, corn and live stock—hogs and cattle being carried through the winter months with little cost. The fertile clay and loess of the uplands are adapted to raising wheat, oats, hay, horses, mules, &c.

For further information, address

BUSINESS MEN'S ASSOCIATION,
HICKMAN, KY.

Spain's Friends.

In computing the possible aid that might come to Spain from other European powers in the event of war, it has been surmised that Austria-Hungary would probably be disposed to lend her helping hand. This is, primarily, because of the kinship between the sovereigns of the two countries, and has little other foundation. France is the only European country from which Spain could expect any substantial sympathy, and that is because Spanish bonds have been mostly negotiated in Paris; Spain is France's debt, but the French have been so generous enough to know that Spain's financial condition would only be rendered worse by a war with the United States.

If They Were Not True.

If you found we did not state the facts just as they existed—you would not find them of interest. It is because we make every assertion good—we move them by the qualities and the prices.

Special Furniture Values.

Just at the season of the year when you think the rooms need a little brightening up—just when the guests are in sight, we put these Special Values. Every item in our Furniture is the modern kind—artistic and serviceable, and with that exquisite finish that goes only with the highest qualities.

Interesting buyers along the line of thrift and economy—meeting any competition that may arise, and in the most satisfactory manner, is the policy of our store.

Stephens & Smith.

300 public, 3 teachers.

The Hickman College gives absolutely free to the pupils children of the town eleven years of Common and High School terms, two months each year.

Chambers, all domestications.

No saloons. No "blind-tiger." Best police protection.

HICKMAN WILL GIVE

a hearty welcome to Manufacturers, House-holders, Mechanics and Farmers.

WE WANT

Cottonseed Oil Mills, Cotton Mills, Hard Wood Manufactories, Planing Mills, Stone and Brick Factories, Brick and Tile Manufactories, Lumber Factories.

WE NEED

and will support a Flouring Mill, a Steam Laundry, an Ice Factory.

M. B. Shaw,

Hardware, Queensware,

AND

...Groceries...

Free Delivery.

G. E. Bartlett,

(Successor to Wm. Dietelrich).

FRANCIS IN—

L. POWELL

HAS OFFERED A

Grocery Store

HICKMAN, KENTUCKY.

Free Delivery.

Free Delivery.

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Caruthers' Cafe and Restaurant.

Choice Fancy Candies,
Fresh Taffy Made Daily!

West Point Oysters—
Two Dozen for 25c.

Served any Style!

Fresh Foreign and Domestic Fruits!

Union City Bread and Cakes Received Daily!

Telephone 90.

Watches, Diamonds, Jewelry, Clocks, Silverware, &c.

FINE WATCH AND JEWELRY REPAIRING A SPECIALTY.

Genuine Seth Thomas Alarm Clocks for \$1.00.

3 Doors East of Laclede Hotel, HICKMAN, KY.

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